

## CITY ITEMS.

NEWSY NOTES GATHERED BY THE "TIMES" REPORTERS.

**The Boston Ideals—The Building Committee—The Story of a Wedding Trip—A False Alarm—Death of Two Estimable Ladies—A Trio—Important Meeting—Petition for Pardon—Manchester Marriages, &c., &c.**

### ON THE EVE.

#### Current Christmas Comment.

To-morrow is Christmas day. Its near approach has already been heralded by a few fire-crackers, and the abominable tooting of an occasional horn. Yesterday trade was brisk in many lines. The wholesale dealers in articles incidental to Christmas cheer were very busy. Toys and all kinds of holiday gifts went off like hot cakes before breakfast. A TIMES reporter made a general round. He traversed Cary street and came back up Main and by the markets. He dropped in at a number of stores, and found traffic lively. There was a considerable rise in the price of turkeys. They were selling at from 16 to 18 cents per pound wholesale, and from 18 to 20 cents retail.

Butter, eggs, &c., also had a stiff upper lip. Last week dressed fowl were way down; but this week, owing to the fowl being held back, the market has recovered its tone, and prices are stiff.

Without going into detail, it may be said that business in all articles needed for a proper observance of the great festival was very encouraging. Very little dissipation has as yet been noticed, and it is hoped that the day will be ushered in by brightness and be observed with becoming decorum, and at the same time with all of the old-time heartiness.

### A TRIO.

#### The Semi-Annual Elections.

At the last meeting of Henrico Council, Royal Arcanum, the following officers were elected: Regent, T. A. Gilmer; vice-regent, C. H. Kaufert; orator, G. W. Reams; past regent, J. H. Schooler; secretary, R. L. Harrison; collector, J. F. Crane; treasurer, James Hudson; chaplain, R. A. Gary; guide, S. P. Waddell; warden, J. T. Manard; sentry, F. J. Parater; representative to the Grand Lodge, F. J. Parater; alternate, S. P. Waddell.

At a meeting of Branch 33, Order of Iron Hall, held at Druids' Hall, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: A. N. Tinsley, chief justice; J. H. Hinchman, vice justice; E. E. Davis, adjutant; Myer Angle, accountant; William H. Taylor, cashier; W. J. Casey, prelate; C. W. Jones, herald; George F. Guvernator, watchman; J. C. Auld, vidette; John R. Waldman, W. J. Casey, and J. M. Cottont, trustees; Drs. William F. Farrar and J. H. Hinchman, medical examiners. This order pays \$1,000 in seven years, and \$25 per week sick benefits.

At a regular meeting of Richmond Assembly, No. 33, of the Royal Society of Good Fellows, held in their rooms, Hasker's Hall, 810 Twenty-fourth street, the following officers were elected: Joseph W. Carter, ruler; George L. Currie, instructor; E. C. Garrison, counselor; George W. White, secretary; Robert S. Anderson, financial secretary; W. F. Farrar, treasurer; A. W. Gill, prelate; J. H. C. Walker, director; Walter L. Olphin, guard; Charles A. Wacker, sentry. Trustees, Joseph W. Carter, George L. Currie, E. C. Garrison; with C. H. Hasker as sitting past ruler.

### An Important Meeting.

A meeting of the Committee on Grounds and Buildings was held last night at 6 o'clock. The whole committee, consisting of T. N. Kendler, chairman, Messrs. Ammons, Crenshaw, Pizzini, and Snead, were present. The meeting was held for the purpose of approving pay-rolls so that the City Hall hands could be paid off to-day—Christmas eve. It being the middle of the week no report was submitted by the City Engineer, but pay-rolls and bills for the new City Hall to the amount of \$1,041.60 were approved and ordered to be paid.

Permission was granted for the use of the Regimental Armory for a charity ball to be given January 6, 1887. The committee recommended that the watchman at the city stables be paid \$50 per month, his former salary.

At the request of Mr. Pizzini the City Engineer read a list of the names of the employees on the City Hall together with their ages, nationality, residence, etc.

It was shown that only three non-residents were employed on the work. Mr. Pizzini moved that all non-residents employed upon the City Hall be discharged.

Lost by the following vote: Ayes, Mr. Pizzini; noes, Messrs. Ammons, Crenshaw, Kendler, and Snead.

On motion of Mr. Pizzini, it was resolved that no apprentices be employed upon the work.

Ayes, Messrs. Kendler, Pizzini, and Snead; noes, Messrs. Crenshaw and Ammons.

Mr. Crenshaw called up from the table the Council resolution making inquiries of the committee as to its action.

The resolution was adopted by the Council December 19. The following is the resolution with the answers to be returned:

1st. Are there any non-residents employed upon the City Hall work? Answer—Yes; three stonemasons.

2d. Are any employees allowed to make extra time? Answer—No; all employees are expected to work ten hours per day except the stonecutters. By the rules of their Union nine hours constitute a day's work, except Saturday which is an eight-hour day.

3d. Have the committee discriminated against any class of people on account of color, condition, &c.? Answer—Yes; the committee by resolution agreed to employ no colored mechanics upon the work.

Adjourned to meet Thursday next at 6 P. M.

### Meetings Further Adjourned.

When the stockholders of the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company adjourned last Thursday they adjourned to meet at 12 o'clock yesterday, and the stockholders of the Richmond and West Point Terminal Company adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock yesterday. Both meetings were further adjourned until Monday next without transacting any business.

### Christmas Decorations.

The best place to secure your floral baskets, cut flowers, rosebuds, Christmas trees, etc., is at John Laird's new floral store, 225 East Main street.

## AMUSEMENTS.

### "Trix" at the Academy.

"River Pirates" was presented at the Academy twice yesterday with well-pleased audiences. Miss Church was excellent in her triple roles, and was loudly applauded. Mr. Snader, as the rascally uncle, was excellent, but did not have a fair scope for his abilities. Mr. Fletcher, as the Cop, brought down the house. He is a fine actor. All the company well sustained their parts. To-day, at both performances, "Trix" will be presented, and it is hoped that the house will be packed. Richmond cannot expect to have popular amusement if the managers of the playhouses are not encouraged.

### "Zozo" at the Theatre.

Miss Blanche Curtisse, the famous Vassar beauty, opens to-night as Zozo, the Magic Queen, and at Christmas matinee (to-morrow). "Zozo" is said to be one of the finest spectacular pieces now on the boards. It will be presented with elegant scenery, costumes, music and scenic effects. Miss Curtisse is supported by a strong company, and the Theatre should be filled at each performance.

### The Boston Ideals.

There was quite a rush for reserved seats for the Boston Ideals nights yesterday. Many eligible seats remain. The company opens at the Theatre next Monday night. The following is a part of the programme for the week:

"Adina, or the Elixir of Love," with Mlle. Zelle de Lussan in title role, Tom Karl, H. C. Barnabee, W. H. Clark, "Fra Diavolo"—Miss Marie Stone, Mlle. Louise Lablache, either Karl or MacDonald (as Diavolo), Barnabee, Clark, Morawski. "Martha"—Stone, Lablache, Karl, Clark, Bainbridge. "Victor, the Bluestocking"—De Lussan, Lablache, MacDonald, Barnabee, Bainbridge. "Maid of Honor"—Stone, Lablache, Karl, MacDonald, Clark. "Bohemian Girl"—Mlle. de Lussan, Lablache, Karl, Clark, Morawski, Bainbridge.

### Fire Yesterday Morning.

At 3:50 yesterday morning the second story of No. 1205 Franklin street was discovered to be on fire. An alarm was turned in from Box 13, corner Twelfth and Main, and was responded to promptly by the department. The flames spread to the floor below, and at one time considerable uneasiness was manifested by the boarders of St. James Hotel, which is immediately in the rear of the building.

After an hour's hard work the firemen succeeded in subduing the flames. Loss about \$300, fully covered by insurance. The building is owned by Arthur Rooney and is occupied by Mrs. Kane as a boarding-house.

The fire was one of the worst that has been in this city for some time. The smoke was intensely thick and suffocating.

Special credit is due to First Assistant Mountcastle and Policeman Finnegan and Wren for their efficient efforts in rescuing the inmates of the burning house.

### Death of an Estimable Lady.

Miss Mollie C. Kelley died at an early hour yesterday morning at the residence of her brother-in-law, Mr. Nelson K. White, on South Cherry street near Cumberland. Miss Kelley had long been a painful sufferer, but her sufferings were borne with fortitude, and she met death in the full hope of a better life. She was a dutiful daughter, an affectionate sister, and a faithful friend, and her death will be deeply mourned. Miss Kelley was a sister (in addition to Mrs. White) of Mrs. Thomas N. O'Keefe and Mrs. Addie A. Coghill, of Mr. Oscar R. Kelley, clerk of the Old Market, and Mr. P. H. Kelley, now of Danville, Va. Miss Kelley was a niece of the late William N. Kelley, who was known as one of the most popular and efficient of the old-time police force in the days of Captain Clem White, Byrd Page, &c. The funeral will take place this evening at 3:30 o'clock from Park-Place Methodist church.

### A Petition for Pardon.

A petition is being circulated in Manchester having for its object the release from imprisonment of Thomas Cordra, who is serving out a twelve months' term for malicious cutting. The petition will be presented to the Governor after a few more signatures have been obtained. Some of the jurors who tried Cordra have signed the petition, and a number of well-known citizens have also put their names to it. Cordra, it will be remembered, stabbed Peter Judge several months ago. His wife is in destitute circumstances, and it is sympathy for her that induced many to sign the paper.

Mrs. Cordra is a very worthy woman and is after all the greatest sufferer by her husband's misdeeds. Cordra has in him the making of a good man if he will only try to do better.

### Richmond's General Trade.

The trade of Richmond for the year now rapidly nearing its close will compare favorably with last year and the year before in nearly all lines except tobacco. The iron and other manufacturers have done an unusually large business. Many of these concerns have been crowded with orders during the year, and several of the largest say they have orders that will keep them busy until late in 1887. The jobbing trade of Richmond expect next year to devote especial attention to fields in the South to which little attention has heretofore been given. Leading tobaccoists here say that the tobacco trade will be apt to be much better after New Year's.

### At the Auditor's Office.

Sergeant James Wood, of Danville, H. C. Joyner, treasurer of Amherst, H. R. Hooper, clerk of Prince Edward; and E. H. Flournoy, clerk of Chesterfield, were at the Capitol yesterday settling up with the Auditor.

Sergeant Wood, of Danville, stated that he had already collected \$22,000 of taxes out of a possible \$33,000.

### Manchester Marriages.

Mr. Augustus Smith and Miss Edith Hudgins were united in marriage Wednesday night at the Central Methodist church, Rev. William H. Christian officiating.

The marriage is announced next Monday at 4:30 o'clock P. M., at the Bainbridge-street Baptist church, Manchester, of Mr. Nathaniel T. Walker to Miss Rosa D. Thomas.

### Gave Bond.

Captain Dam, of the libelled brigantine Katrina, yesterday gave bond for his appearance at court when required. The vessel sailed yesterday afternoon.

## BREVITIES.

### PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS, MINOR MENTION, AND LOCAL LACONICS.

**The News of the Day Boiled Down and Served Up in Condensed Shape—About Folks You Know, and Interesting Items Happily and Hastily Hit.**

The United States Circuit Court has adjourned for the Christmas holidays.

As there will be no issue of the paper Sunday, our friends should send in advertisements and local notices to-day.

Next week at the Academy the attraction will be the Bessie Gray Company, in a repertoire of light and sparkling opera.

Mr. J. Leon Luxford, of Louisville, formerly of Richmond, will be married to Miss Mamie E. Taylor, of Staunton, December 29th.

Mr. Lew Walters, the representative of the Lottie Church Company, is a courteous gentleman and a capable manager. He has made friends in this city who cordially recommend him to the good of the craft in other cities.

The pound party for the benefit of St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum is going on this week. This charity is appealing to its friends in this season of peace and good will, and it is hoped that the response will be liberal.

As Christmas and Sunday are both holidays there will be a long time between papers this year. How will the people survive so long without comment about Cluverius, the condemned, or some other "revolving tragedy?"

The Grays, "A" company, had a full-dress drill last night, and were inspected by Assistant-Inspector-General Jo. Lane Stern. They turned out forty-eight men, rank and file, presenting a fine and soldierly appearance.

Nancy Banks, one of the oldest and most faithful colored women of Richmond, died a few days since. She was beloved and respected by all who knew her, and served with four generations of the same family. Her aged husband, Cary Banks, survives her.

The time of the Superintendent of the Out-door Poor has been heavily taxed this week in administering to the wants of those dependent on the city's bounty. There is more destitution in Richmond than many are aware of, but public and private charity is doing all that it can. Never was there greater need for the proper exercise of both.

### Rev. Dr. Landrum at the Christian Association.

The story of a trip to Europe well told is always interesting, the account of a wedding trip is ditto. But when the two are combined, and the relating of the happy experience is confided to such a capable and pleasant speaker as the Rev. W. W. Landrum, it becomes a real treat. Such was what those who filled the parlors at the Christian Association last night had the pleasure of enjoying.

The lecture is instructive and profitable, and was interspersed with bits of both humor and pathos. It will bear repeating often as one of the best efforts of the distinguished and estimable speaker. Those present are also under obligation to Mr. George L. Barker, of the Oratorio Society, and Mr. Oscar E. Lohmann, of the Gesangverein Virginia, for vocal music, and Mr. Edgar L. Justis, who acted so efficiently as accompanist. Taken as a whole, the evening will live in memory as one of the happiest of the closing hours of a year that has been very rich in pleasant recollection.

### The Chiefs' Private Signal Causes Trouble.

The Chief of the Fire Department has private signals for the purpose of calling out separate pieces of apparatus without turning in a general alarm. Among these is 2-3-2 which calls out Hose Company No. 2, to any box which may be desired, the station to which they are to respond, to be struck after the signal.

Last night about 9 o'clock Chief Fuqua went to Box 12, Rocketts, pulled in 2-3-2 and then 12, showing that Hose Company No. 2 was wanted at Box 12. By some mistake the signal was caught differently at various places. At the first police station the bell was rung for Box 12; at the Second station-house the bell struck for Box 23, and at the Third police station it was also rung for Box 23.

At No. 1 and No. 2 engine-houses the bells were rung for Box 23, corner Seventeenth and Marshall. Both of these engines went to Box 23, after which they went to Box 12, giving them quite a run for nothing.

No one in particular was to blame for the confusion, it being one of those unavoidable errors into which the most correct are sometimes liable to fall.

### Alleged Poisoner Acquitted.

Christopher Rock (colored) was before the Police Court yesterday morning on the charge of attempting to poison the family of Mrs. R. H. Meade. The Police Justice stated that no analytical examination had been made, but that Dr. Taylor was satisfied that there was no poison in the tea. Rock was therefore discharged.

### Marriage of Mr. Charles G. Blakey and Miss Laura V. Rice.

The following notice was unavoidably crowded out yesterday: Mr. Charles G. Blakey, of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac railroad, was married in Ashland Wednesday night to Miss Laura V. Rice, daughter of Mr. Samuel Rice, of that village. Among the ushers were Mr. W. P. Blakey and Captain Woolfolk. Mr. Blakey is a son of the well-known Captain W. P. Blakey, of the Fredericksburg railroad.

### Paying for School-Houses.

The Council Committee on Schools met yesterday afternoon at 6 o'clock. Bills for the Mechanics Institute to the amount of \$391.41 were ordered to be paid. The committee also ordered that T. Wiley Davis be paid \$32 on account of school-house corner of Nineteenth and Marshall streets, and that W. O. Benton be paid \$33 for school building corner of Main and Lombardy streets.

### Death of Mrs. Joseph W. Thomas.

Mrs. Susan Catherine Thomas, wife of Mr. Joseph W. Thomas, and eldest daughter of the late David A. Brown, died Wednesday evening. Mrs. Thomas was well known in Richmond. She suffered much, but had a peaceful death, with full assurance of a happy entrance into the joys of a better life. Funeral this evening from Centenary church at 3 o'clock P. M.

## A THRONE FOR RENT.

### BILL NYE DECLINES THE JOB OF KING OF BULGARIA.

**He Will Not Enter into a Squabble in Which He is Not Interested—Recommends a Syndicate of Monarchs—Other Advice.**

Bill Nye has furnished The New York World the following copy of a cable dispatch just forwarded to the allied powers of Europe:

### SLIPPERY ELMHURST.

HUDSON, Wis., Nov. 25. } To the allied powers, care of Lord Salisbury:

GENTLEMEN—Your favor of recent date regarding my acceptance of the Bulgarian throne, which is now vacant and for rent, in which note you tender me the use of said throne for one year, with the privilege of three, is at hand. You also state that the allied powers are not favorable to Prince Nicholas and that you would all prefer a dark horse. Looking over the entire list of obscure men, it would seem you have been unable to fix upon a man who has made a better showing in this line than I have.

While I thank you for this kind offer of a throne that has, as you state, been newly refitted and refurbished throughout, I must decline it for reasons which I will try to give in my own rough, unpolished way.

In the first place I read in the dispatches to-day that Russia is mobilizing her troops, and I do not want anything to do with a country that will treat its soldiers in that way. Troops have certain rights as well as those who have sought the pleasanter walks of peace.

That is not all. I do not care to enter into a squabble in which I am not interested. Neither do I care to go to Bulgaria in the capacity of a carpetbag monarch, from the ten cent counter, wearing a boiler iron overcoat by day and a stab proof corset at night. I have always been in favor of Bulgaria's selection of a monarch viva voce or vox populi, whichever you think would look the best in print.

I hate to see a monarch in hot water all the time and threatening to abdicate. Supposing he does abdicate, what good will that do, when he leaves a widow with nothing but a second hand throne and a crown two sizes too small for his successor? I have always said, and I still say, that nothing can be more pitiful than the sight of a lovely queen, whose husband, in a wild frenzy of remorse, has abdicated himself. Nothing, I repeat, can be sadder than this picture of a deserted queen, left high and dry, without means, forced at last to go to the pawnbrokers with a little plated, fluted crown with rabbit skin ear tabs on it!

We are prone to believe that a monarch has nothing to do but issue a ukase or a mandamus and that he will then have all the funds he wants; but such is not the case. Lots of our most successful monarchs are liable to be overtaken any year by a long, cold winter and found as late as Christmas reigning in their summer scepter.

I am inclined also to hesitate about accepting the Bulgarian throne for another reason—I do not care to be deposed when I want to be doing something else. I have had my deposition taken several times and it did not look like me either time.

I think that you monarchs ought to stand by each other more. If you would form a society of free and independent monarchs there in Europe, where you are so plenty, you could have a good time and every little while you could raise your salaries if you worked it right.

Now you pull and haul each other all the time and keep yourselves in hot water day and night. That's no way for a dynasty any more than any one else. It impairs your usefulness and fills our telegraphic columns full of names that we cannot pronounce. Every little while we have to pay the operator at this end of the cable \$10 for writing in a rapid, flowing hand that "meanwhile Russia will continue to disregard the acts of the Sobranje."

Why should a great country like Russia go about trying to make trouble with a low priced Sobranje? I think that a closer alliance of crowned heads, whose interests are identical, would certainly relieve the monotony of many a long, tedious reign. If I were to accept the throne of Bulgaria, which is not likely, so long as my good right arm can still jerk a fluent crosscut saw in the English tongue, I would form a syndicate of monarchs, with grips, passwords, explanations and signals; every scepter would have a contraalto whistle in the butt end which could be used as a sign of distress, while the other end could have a cork in it, and then steering a tottering dynasty down through the dim vista of crumbling centuries would not be so irksome as it now is.

As it is now, three or four allied powers ask a man to leave his business and squat on a cold, hard throne for a mere pittance, and then just as he begins to let his whiskers grow and learns to dodge a big porcelain bomb those same allied powers jump on top of him all spraddled out and ask him for his deposition. That is no way to treat an amateur monarch who is trying to do right.

You can see that unless you stand by each other the thrones of Europe will soon be empty and every \$2 a day hotel in America will have an heir apparently to the throne for a head waiter, with a coronet put in on his clothes with a rubber stamp and a loaded scepter up his sleeve.

If you want to rear your children to love and respect the monarchy industry you must afford them better protection. I say this as a man who may not live to be over 100 years of age, and with my feet thus settling into the boggy shores of time let me beg of you, monarchs and monarchesses, to make your calling an honorable one. Teach your children and their children to respect the business by which their parents earned their bread. Show them that it is honorable to empire a country if they do it right. Teach them that to do right is better than to fraudulently turn a jack from the bottom of the pack. Teach them that it is better to be a popular straight out-and-out partisan king who is sincere about it than to be a mugwump monarch who daves not leave his throne night or day for fear that somebody will put a number of bombs under it or criticize him in the papers.

I would like to empire Bulgaria this winter first rate if I could get back in time to remove the counterpane from my asparagus bed, but it would hardly pay me to do so. If Nicholas will do it, and do it at living rates, I would tell him to go ahead.

If you furnish reigning tools and palace he ought to do it at \$1,200 a year, or say \$1,500 and find himself. Yours sincerely, Bill Nye.

1,500—Collect.

The city laborers of New York connected with the Laborers' Union Protective society now earn from \$2.50 to \$3.75 a day. This is a big step over years ago, when, without organization, they were working for whatever the contractors might offer them. Their wages used to range from \$1 to \$1.75 per day.

## Police Court.

The following cases were disposed of yesterday:

Amos Blackburn was sent on to the grand jury for being drunk and disorderly in the street, and resisting the police in the discharge of their duty.

John Thomas, alias Joseph Hamilton (colored), charged with stealing a barrel from W. T. Smoot, was convicted and sentenced to jail for six months.

William Henry Randolph (colored) was sentenced to jail for thirty days for stealing an overcoat from Randolph Williams. He was given another fifteen days for stealing books from Cohen Bros.

We have given Judson's Cough Balsam a fair trial, and unhesitatingly pronounce it the best thing for coughs, colds, sore throat, and kindred diseases. Made only by Judson Cunningham, where also can be found the best, cheapest, and purest drugs and the best 10-cent plug tobacco in the whole wide world.

### About Christmas Presents.

An article of Jewelry is the most appropriate gift for the coming holidays, for the reason that there are so many small, pretty, inexpensive articles that can be worn by nearly every person; in no other line is the selection so great. In order to accommodate our numerous friends of moderate means who want something good and pretty, and at the same time not too costly, we have prepared one of the best assortments to be found in the city.

GODDARD & MOSES,  
920 Main street.

### Seventh Holiday Reduction of Jewelry Prices.

Although our nominal prices are very low we will until January 1, 1887, give our patrons the benefit of our usual holiday reduction, and have accordingly reduced the price of every article in our store. Our stock has never been so complete as it is to-day. Such novelties as gold, silver, and pearl opera-glasses, gold and silver-head umbrellas and canes, gold pens, pencils, and toothpicks, lamps, bronzes, silver, match-boxes, and vinaigrettes, &c., &c. Fine diamonds, watches, jewelry, and silver and silver-platedware are likewise reduced in prices. An inspection of our goods and prices will convince you that we have the largest stock and our prices are the lowest. No trouble to show goods. Call and examine them at

GODDARD & MOSES,  
920 Main street.

### It's a Fact.

that Dr. David's Cough Syrup is perfectly harmless and the most effective cure for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Croup, etc., known. Don't take any of the "just-as-good" (so-called) cough cures offered you because they cost the seller less, but insist upon having Dr. David's Cough Syrup.

### Christmas and Wedding Presents.

The largest and best selected stock we have ever shown. Superb designs in diamond jewelry, pins, drops, and rings; watches, queen chains, bosom and sleeve-buttons, canes, opera-glasses, French clocks, and new silver in cases for bridal presents.

Nowlan & Co.,  
Jewellers.

### Jewelry for Xmas.

Diamonds well bought are always worth the money you pay for them. Goddard & Moses purchased a fine line of diamond goods recently at a great bargain, and now the Xmas buyers have the full benefit, as every gem has been reduced to the minimum price.

In fine watches their stock is complete. Mr. Goddard knows what a watch should be, and sells none that he cannot fully guarantee. Call before the last moment and make your selection. 920 Main street. Goddard & Moses.

### No Household.

ought to be without a bottle of that best of family remedies, Dr. David's Cough Syrup.

Gents' \$4.00 slippers reduced to \$2.00 at Spence, Tyree & Co.'s, No. 815 East Broad street.

Gents' \$3.00 slippers are now reduced to \$1.50 at Spence, Tyree & Co.'s, No. 815 East Broad street.

## CHRISTMAS CHEER!

## WEDDING BELLS!!

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CUT GLASS,

BRONZES AND CLOCKS,

BRASS GOODS,

JAPANESE GOODS, &c., &c., &c.,

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It is our HIGHEST AIM to lead in

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MONDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

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LATEST.

Drop in to see us.